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REAL-TIME

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Sir:

Enclosed please find an Amendment and Response to Office Action mailed May 17, 2006 for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or credit overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-1275. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

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In response to the Office Action mailed on May 17, 2006, please amend the subject application as follows:

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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